

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the claims in the application are claims 1, 3, and 5-7.

Applicant very much appreciates the Examiner indicating in the outstanding Office Action that claims 1 and 5-7 are allowed.

In the outstanding Office Action, the drawings are objected to for not showing every feature of claim 1. In response, and following a suggestion of the Examiner, Applicant adds new Fig. 8 and amends the specification accordingly. Applicant respectfully submits that new Fig. 8 is fully supported by the specification as originally filed, including paragraph [0029], i.e., the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 18.

In the above-referenced Office Action, claim 3 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph for claiming relative terms that render the claim indefinite. In response, claim 3 has been appropriately amended to recite a language which Applicant believes overcomes the claim rejection.

Applicant asserts that in light of the foregoing remarks this application is in condition for allowance and early passage of this case to issue is requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned in the event the Examiner would like to discuss the merits of the application or this Response.

If there are any other fees not accounted for above, the assignee of present application, Lexmark International, Inc., hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any such fees, including any extension of time fees, to the account of Lexmark International, Inc.. Deposit Account No. 12-1213.

Respectfully submitted,

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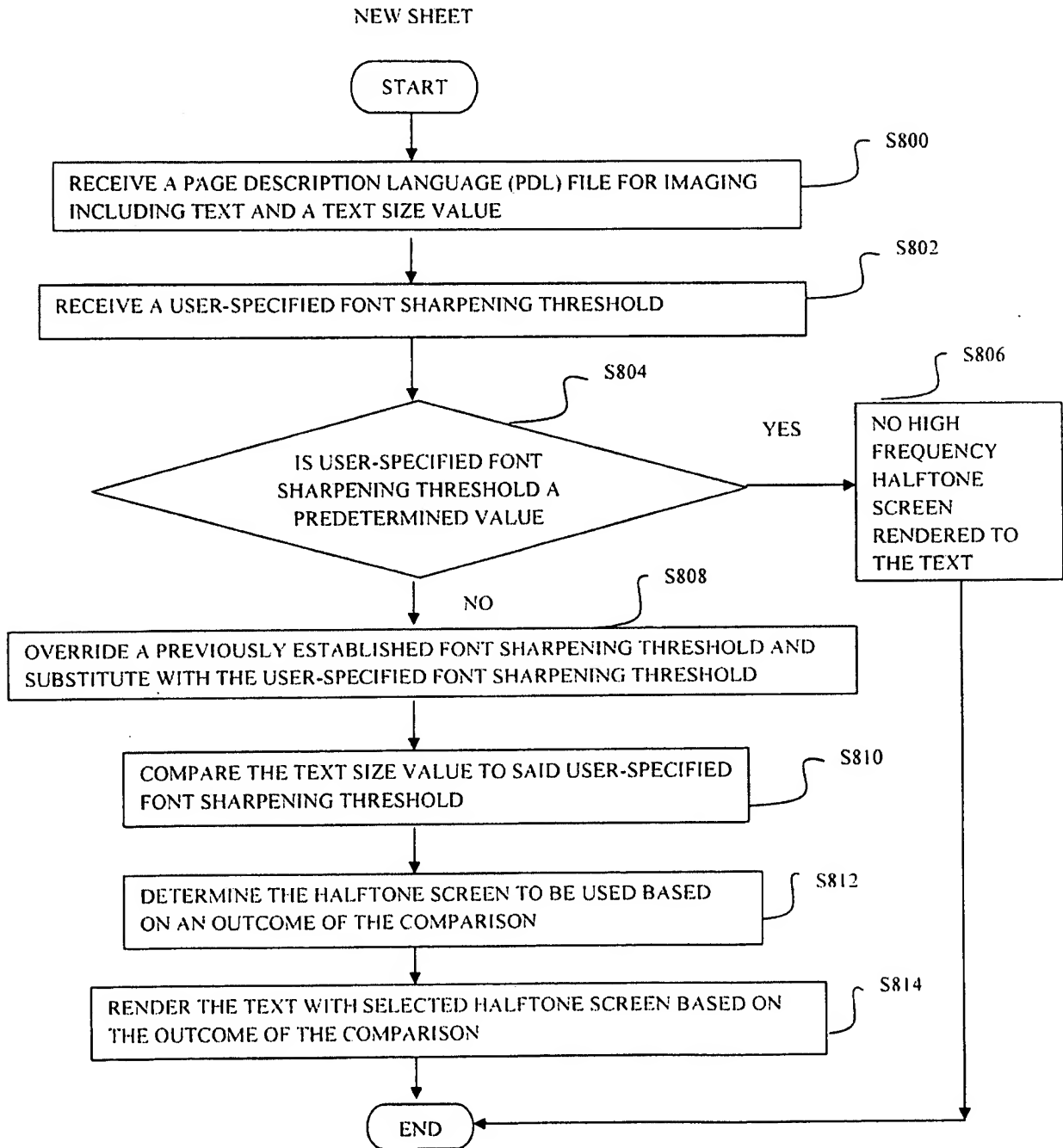


FIG. 8